# CHNYC TELLTALE

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Rhodes 19s lined up seconds after the start on 22 June! Competition has been keen. Read the story on page 6.

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## Visit us on the WEB

## www.nwc.navy.mil/chnyc

Our site contains pictures of yacht club activities as well as important documents such as Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions, all of the sail training materials from the ground school, and brochures that explain our plans and programs.

## From the Secretary/Treasurer

Members enjoy benefits!

Janet Belson

Secretary/Treasurer, Coasters Harbor Navy Yacht Club

For those who are interested in statistics here is what I have on membership:

We have 167 paid members

34 are Power Boaters

88 have Sail Boats

44 do not own a boat

136 live in either RI or MA

We have members from as far away as Hawaii, Arizona, Texas and Canada.

It is nice to see that many believe there is a benefit to stay connected with our club.

Don't forget that we have reciprocity at many Yacht Clubs in the area. We have received official invitations to use the Sag Harbor Yacht Club, the Wickford Yacht Club and the Newport Yacht Club. Sag Harbor Yacht Club has extended the privilege of the Club House and Docks.

Remember that we can offer the use of one of our two moorings to members of other clubs or to friends. One must reserve the mooring through the Marina – just state it is for a CHNYC mooring - and be willing to sign as sponsor. It is free for the first three days. What a good deal!

Fair Winds and Following Seas to all our members.

Janet \*

Join Coasters Harbor Navy Yacht Club

It is the best deal on the East Coast!

## From the Helm

Let the fun go on!

Ben Riggs

Commodore, Coasters Harbor Navy Yacht Club

Our season is up and running. Sail training has been ramping up, and the program to train NAPS instructors has been going smoothly. Many thanks to the volunteers who accommodated the special scheduling needs of that program. The Naval Station is home to a number of commands that benefit from this sort of boating activity, and it reflects well on CHNYC as well when we are able to provide training and race management for so many groups and individuals throughout a busy season.

Speaking of racing, Mel Lash, our Rear Commodore (Power Squadron), represented this spirit when he and his lovely trawler, Penchant, served as RC boat for Sail Newport's Jimmy Fund Regatta June 3-5. This was a lot of work over three long days. Thanks, Mel.

Our Club's mission is largely focused on education and training. Some of it is to enhance the benefits provided by the MWR to our military personnel and their dependents. Some is to augment professional development for Navy personnel. Some involves race management and training for the War College, SWOS, and other groups. And some is designed to give back to the community, such as the Jimmy Fund Regatta, Leukemia Cup, Special Olympics, and so on.

Accomplishing the Club's mission depends on an active group of skilled, dedicated volunteers who give up time on their own boats and with their families. It's worth doing if it's rewarding and fun. So let's try to make sure we are having fun, and that we are making it enjoyable for everyone involved.

See you on the water. As often as possible!

Ben ❖

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SAIL TRAINING

GROUND SCHOOL: MONDAY, TUESDAY AND THURSDAY 7-9 PM
ON-THE-WATER: SATURDAY MORNINGS AT 8 AM UNTIL NOON AND
MONDAY, TUESDAY, AND THURSDAY EVENINGS 5-7 PM
CLASSES HELD WEEKLY THROUGH SEPTEMBER. CONTACT PAUL
MANKOFSKY IF YOU WANT TO HELP.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT RACE SERIES

DATE: WEDNESDAY EVENINGS MAY THROUGH OCTOBER
PLACE STARTING LINE WEST OF COASTERS HARBOR ISLAND
Summer series 1 June through 3 August; Fall series 10
August through 5 October. See NOR and SI posted on the
CHNYC WEB site. Contact Seth Moyer for the details.

SHIELDS ADVANCED SAIL TRAINING

DATES: THURSDAYS 5-7 PM; SATURDAYS 10 AM – NOON
EIGHT CLASSES ARE SCHEDULED THIS SEASON. CONTACT THE
MARINA OFFICE FOR DETAILS. CONTACT RON OARD IF YOU WANT
TO HELP

RACE QUALIFICATION SEMINARS

DAYS: MONDAY, TUESDAY AND THURSDAY EVENINGS 5-7 PM; SPINNAKER WORKSHOP ON SATURDAYS 2-4 PM. SEMINARS ARE SCHEDULED EACH MONTH. CONTACT MARINA OFFICE OR RICK MATTON FOR DETAILS.

WINSLOW MEMORIAL REGATTA

DATE: SATURDAY 6 AUGUST AFTERNOON

THREE OR MORE RACES SCHEDULED. SEE NOR AND SI POSTED ON CHNYC WEB SITE. CONTACT CHIP SWICKER FOR INFORMATION.

SURFACE NAVY ASSOCIATION REGATTA

DATE: SATURDAY 20 AUGUST; WEATHER DATE 21 AUGUST
THREE OR MORE RACES SCHEDULED. SEE NOR AND SI POSTED ON
CHNYC WEB SITE. CONTACT CHIP SWICKER FOR INFORMATION.

RHODE ISLAND SPECIAL OLYMPICS 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY REGATTA

DATES: 24-25 SEPTEMBER

TWO DAYS OF RACING ARE SCHEDULED FOR ATHELETS AND THEIR COACHES FROM UP AND DOWN THE EAST COAST. VOLUNTEERS FOR RACE COMMITTEE AND OTHER ASHORE SUPPORT ARE NEEDED. CONTACT CHIP SWICKER OR MIKE ARSENAULT.

## Sail Instructors' Pledge To Sail Training Students

- 1. We volunteer our time to serve the men and women of the Armed Services and authorized civilian personnel and family members.
- 2. We are committed to teaching basic sailing skills so that you can be qualified to safely operate a Rhodes 19.
- We will volunteer our time in exchange for your sincere effort to become qualified operators.
   We expect you to come prepared to sail and accept our training recommendations and suggestions.
- 4. We will conduct ourselves in a cheerful professional manner, and encourage your questions and comments regarding our progress, curriculum, or methods.
- 5. We will encourage your participation as we believe this sail training program enhances the sport and provides a foundation for life-long enjoyment.



## Sail Training

Better weather bringing more students out to learn!

Paul Mankofsky Rear Commodore, Sail Training

Our sail training season started on May 1. During May, the weather was marginal and the demand for the sail training program was rather low. Our commitment to the program was gratifying as many on the water instructors showed up on the dock to handle the small number of students who wanted to learn. At the beginning of June, we had an increase in enrollees for our sail training program, and now we are looking forward to the challenge and steady demand, for the rest of the season.

We have observed, as have others, the increased quality of our instruction, as students are coming to class prepared, and with the understanding of our expectations for their performance. They understand our commitment to the program and the underlying reasons for our volunteer service. The marina staff continues this season to do a creditable job of maintaining the equipment, and complimenting our sail training efforts.

Over the past few weeks our ground school and onthe-water instructors provided special support to train Naval Academy Prep School personnel. The NAPS is planning to teach sailing to their next class which will arrive later this summer.

As we progress toward July and August, we project demand for our services to peak, as new personnel arrive at the Newport Naval Station, and the weather brings more people out to learn to sail.

We are continuously working to build the cadre of instructors and maintain our level of motivation and interest. Please send us your recommendations and referrals.

Paul \*

## **Ground School**

Seven down and nine to go!

Paul Watters
Rear Commodore, Ground School

We have completed seven basic sail training ground schools classes this season. May was slow due to weather but the quality and skill set of our students has improved. In June things picked up and we also ran two special classes for NAPS thanks to the efforts of Chuck Kesson and Amy Hunt.

With nine more classes scheduled this season we will have a very successful season. Here is the instructor lineup.

#### DATE INSTRUCTOR INFORMATION

July 4 NO CLASS

July 11 Dale Paquette 846-0007 dalelpaq@cox.net

July 18 Scott Atkin 294-0138 sailorscot@aol.com

July 25 Joe Tarleton 847-8183 nanjoe203@aol.com

Aug 1 Sam Just 619-1287 svjust@megalink.net

Aug 8 NO CLASS

Aug 15 Bob Loewenthal 423-1573 bobloew@cox.net

Aug 22 Manny Moniz 832-4859 monizmc@npt.nuwc.navy.mil

Aug 29 Greg Gahlinger 207-4452 gig1970@earthlink.net

Sept 5 NO CLASS

Sept 12 Ben Milam 847-1107

Sept 19 Manny Moniz 832-4859 monizmc@npt.nuwc.navy.mil

Paul \*

## Race Training & Safety

"You haven't won the race if in winning the race you have lost the respect of your competitors." – Four-time Gold Medalist Paul Elvstrom

Rick Matton
Rear Commodore, Race Training & Safety

In keeping with the tradition of sailing, when we race we agree to be fair and honest, to be good sports, and to attempt to win using superior boat handling and speed. When you know that you have broken a rule or are hailed "Protest!" by another competitor, you should promptly take a penalty. (Two-Turns penalty or retire.)

A protest is simply the means to bring an incident in which a boat may have broken a rule to a hearing after a race. In our Sailing Instructions, a Protest Arbitrator and possibly a Protest Committee reviews the incident and see how the rules apply. Protests are key to our competitor-enforced rules system and should never have a negative tint to them.

During our monthly racing seminars, we not only study the rules but also how to prepare for hearings. Do you know that you can get into trouble before, during or after a race by acting badly? In a recent national championship, a regatta champion was protested under rule 69 (Gross Misconduct) for his actions ashore after the race.

We encourage friendly completion in all of our competitions. As we continue with the Summer Series and regattas during August and September, it pays to know the rules, know how to go fast and know what to do if you see someone not following the rules. The seminars are free to CHNYC members – please consider joining our lively discussions.

Rick \*

## Race Qualification Seminars

25, 26, 28 & 30 July 15, 16, 18 & 20 August 19, 20, 22 & 24 September

## From the Race Course

Come out and race this summer!

Chip Swicker Rear Commodore, Regattas

We've got four Regattas scheduled for this season...the Winslow Cup on Saturday, 6 August, the second annual Surface Navy Association Regatta (Burke and Bulkeley Cups) on Saturday, 20 August, the Special Olympics Rhode Island Tenth Anniversary Regatta on Saturday and Sunday, 24-25 September, and the Naval War College President's Cup Regatta on Friday, 7 October.

Entry fee for the Surface Navy Association Regatta remains only \$25 per boat, which includes a catered awards party in the Officers Club Topside Pub, so make plans to join in the second running of this family-friendly event. We have even scheduled a weather contingency date of Sunday, 21 August this year, so all hands can be guaranteed a fine day of racing.

Get your Rhodes and Shields quals up to speed early, and then come on out to race this summer! For more information, please email me at charles.swicker@navy.mil"

Chip \*

## Regatta Schedule 2005

Winslow Memorial – 6 August
Surface Navy Association – 20 August
RI Special Olympics – 24-25 September
NWC President's Cup – 7 October

#### Wednesday Night Rhodes 19 Fleet Racing

Summer Series – 1 June through 3 August Fall Series – 10 August through 5 October

## From the Shields Fleet

Bernie Patterson is leading the way!

Ron Oard Fleet Captain, Shields

It has been an interesting spring. Between delays in getting masts stepped and the weather, we lost quite a bit of sailing time. The first two weekend races were cancelled, so it won't be until the Newport Regatta 16-17 July that we get out on the weekend.

Fortunately, the Fleet 9 Wednesday evening racing series has been moving right along. We have been getting about 25 boats out on the line at last count, and have managed to get all of our races in. Even the one that was cancelled due to the nor'easter before Memorial Day weekend was made up with two races the following week. We have enough new faces to establish a racing ladder and have gotten 5 or 6 six boats out most Wednesdays. Bernie Patterson is leading the way once again for the Navy fleet (see the results below for the spring series that just ended).

The turnout for Shields training has been small, but is beginning to pick up with two students in the last class and several check rides in May. Several skippers have been taking friends and co-workers out to generate more interest in the Shields and their efforts are certainly appreciated. Now that summer is finally here, I hope to see more and more of you out on the water.

Ron 🌣

## **Wednesday Spring Series Racing Final Results:**

Boat	Skipper	Points
Ann	Patterson	63
Columbia	Belson/Gahlinger	91
Silverheels	Schofield	96
(various)	Oard	99
Vindex	Rushworth/Alyn	100
Icea	Wylly/Fansher	118
Angela	Saunders	118

## From the Rhodes Fleet

We are enjoying fierce competition on Wednesday!

Seth Moyer Fleet Captain, Rhodes 19

We are four races into a very enjoyable Summer season. We have had 12 different skippers on the water so far enjoying the camaraderie that this fleet offers. Once again we have a very competitive fleet with 8 of the skippers having had a fourth place finish or better. So far Mike and Matt Incze have won 3 of the races and Herb Rommel and crew have won the other race. Our most recent race, on 22 June, was completed with as strong of a flood tide as had been seen for quite some time. Nobody said it would be easy for Team Incze, as Boat #19 (the boat they are racing this year) almost had to stay tied up to the dock for the 22 June Race. Turns out that a family of weasels had taken up residence in boat #19 (Emily) and base pest control had to be called to extricate them. No truth to the rumor that a protest has been filed by Team Kesson against Mike for the previous races since the weasels may have caused the max crew size to be exceeded.

We still have boats available if others are interested in joining in on the fun. The Summer Series will continue through 3 August. We will compete for the Winslow Cup on 6 August and begin the Fall series on 10 August.

Seth.



Seth heads toward the finish line!

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Ron Oard at the helm of Angela going to windward during Shields Fleet 9 Spring Series. See article on page 6.